### LOMR CASE NUMBER 10-06-1078P

(Keep this reference number on hand!)

# ALBUQUERQUE WEST LEVEE OVERBANK AREA FLOOD ZONE REVISION

## **YELLOW ZONE AREA**

Flood Zone is changing from Zone A to Zone AE (Positively Affected)

#### • Implications:

- Flood Zone is changing from a higher risk zone to a lower risk zone
- Flood insurance is STILL REQUIRED on homes with federally backed mortgages
- Base Flood Elevations available for use with Elevation Certificates

#### What you should do if your home was built AFTER 1983:

- At any time, If you have not already done so,
  - Request in writing that your County Floodplain Administrator conduct a Historic Flood
     Zone Determination for your home
  - Your request needs to include the address and date the home was built
  - Take the letter you receive from your Floodplain Administrator to your insurance agent and they will "Grandfather" you in to Zone B, C or X for your insurance policy
  - An "Elevation Certificate" prepared by a licensed surveyor can help you get even lower rates
  - Base Flood Elevations required for the Elevation Certificate can be obtained from your County Floodplain Administrator.
- If you are already Grandfathered in you are probably getting the best rate possible and do not have to do anything regarding this change. If you have not already done so, you can also benefit from an Elevation Certificate.

#### What you should do if your home was built BEFORE 1983:

- After the Flood Zone change, see your insurance agent, you can now purchase flood insurance for the lower risk Zone AE
- Give them the LOMR Case #10-06-1078P
- An "Elevation Certificate" prepared by a licensed surveyor can help you get lower rates for this flood zone
- Base Flood Elevations required for the Elevation Certificate can be obtained from your County Floodplain Administrator
- You may also be able to receive a refund on the difference in premiums.

For more information or questions:
Call Bernalillo County Public Works Division at 848-1511 or visit

www.bernco.gov/floodplain